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## **JUSTICE DEPARTMENT AWARDS \$2,981,753 TO ENHANCE, SUPPORT TRIBAL JUSTICE AND SAFETY IN NEBRASKA**

*Streamlined grant program offers financial assistance with Indian tribes' prevention  
and law enforcement efforts, victim services and youth programs*

Omaha, Nebraska – U.S. Attorney Deborah R. Gilg announced today grant awards totaling \$2,981,753 to the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska, Santee Sioux Nation, Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska and Ponca Tribe of Nebraska to enhance law enforcement practices and sustain crime prevention and intervention efforts in eight purpose areas: public safety and community policing; methamphetamine enforcement; justice systems and alcohol and substance abuse; corrections and correctional alternatives; violence against women; elder abuse; juvenile justice; and tribal youth programs.

The awards were made under the Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS), a single application for tribal-specific grant programs offered by the Justice Department. Overall, the department today announced grants of \$118.4 million to nearly 150 American Indian and Alaskan Native nations across the country.

"This grant award demonstrates the Department of Justice's priority to making our tribal communities safer," said U.S. Attorney Deborah R. Gilg.

Associate Attorney General Tom Perrelli announced this funding during the department's 19<sup>th</sup> annual Four Corners Indian Country Conference in Ignacio, Colo., underscoring the Justice Department's commitment to enhancing public safety in Indian Country and the importance of a streamlined grant application process for federal funding.

The department developed CTAS and administered the first round of consolidated grants in September 2010 in response to shared views of tribal leaders that the department's grant-making process was too cumbersome and needed increased flexibility. Today, tribes seeking funding for more than one purpose area can submit a single grant application, instead of multiple applications.

The grants are administered by the Office of Community Oriented Policing (COPS), Office of Justice Programs (OJP) and the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW). The complete list of the Fiscal Year 2011 CTAS grantees, a CTAS Fact Sheet and other information about the consolidated solicitation is also available at [www.tribaljusticeandsafety.gov](http://www.tribaljusticeandsafety.gov).